

Cutting Edge of Transplantation Meeting 2025
Thursday, February 27th through Saturday, March 1st

Thursday, February 27

8:00 – 12:00 PM

Star Pre-Meeting
Kierland 1

12:00- 1:15 PM

Satellite Lunch Symposium
Kierland 2, 3

1:15-1:45 PM

Break

1:45 PM

Welcome Remarks
 Rachel Patzer, PhD and Deb Adey, MD

2:00 PM – 3:30 PM

Session 1: Data and Modernization: What is the Future of Data to Drive Modernization?

Moderators: Allyson Hart, MD, MS and Beau Kelly, MD, MBA, FACS, FAST

Patient Talk: How Could Patients Use Data in an Ideal System?

Speaker: Tristan Mace

1. The Ideal State: A Vision for the Future of Data in Transplantation

Speaker: Grace Lyden, PhD

2. The Status Quo: The Current State of Data in Transplantation

Speaker: Krista Lentine, MD, PhD

3. The Roadmap: Getting Data From Where We Are to Where We Want To Be

Speaker: Jon Snyder, PhD, MS

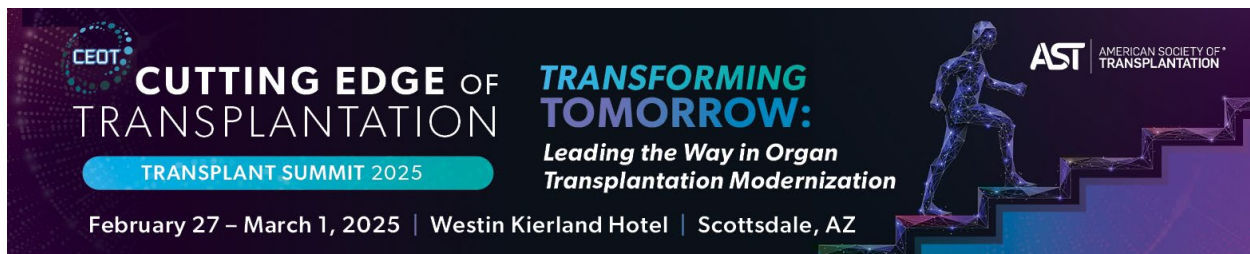
4. The Possibilities: Demonstrating the Value of a Modern Data System

Speaker: Sumit Mohan, MD

Panel Discussion

3:30 PM – 4:00 PM

Break



4:00 PM – 5:30 PM

Session 2: Future of Organ Utilization

Moderators: Joanna Schaenman, MD, PhD and Ali Zarrinpar, MD, PhD

- 1. Elevating Standards: How Organ Transplant Programs Can Transcend Comparative Metrics**
Speaker: Ken Andreoni, MD
- 2. Optimizing Organ Utilization through Donor Management Guidelines**
Speaker: Kevin Myer, MSHA
- 3. Smart Matching: Enhancing Donor Utilization and Matching Efficiency**
Speaker: Dorry Segev, MD, PhD
- 4. Turning Challenges into Opportunities: Utilizing Donors with Infections**
Speaker: Emily Blumberg, MD

Panel Discussion

6:00 PM – 7:15 PM

Transplant Visionaries Challenge

7:15 PM – 8:30 PM

Welcome Reception

Friday, February 28

7:00 AM – 8:15 AM

Breakfast Symposium
Kierland 1

8:15 AM – 8:30 AM

Break

8:30 AM – 10:00 AM

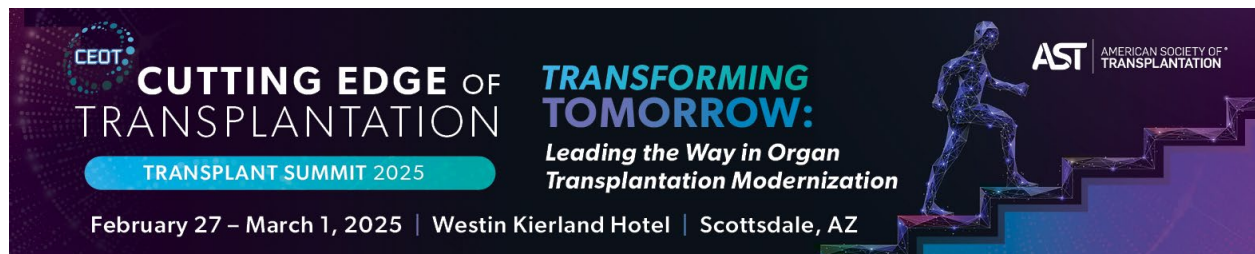
Session 3: Future of the Allocation Process

Moderators: Shelley Hall, MD, FACC, HFSA, FAST Marina Serper, MD, MS

- 1. Continuous Distribution: Is this the Right System?**
Speaker: Marie Budev, DO, MPH, FCCP
 - 2. OPTN Expeditious Task Force: And Update and Future Challenges**
Speaker: Rich Formica, MD
 - 3. Transplantation: Right or Privilege?**
Speaker: Jesse Schold, PhD, M.Stat, M.Ed
 - 4. Debate: To Maximize Efficiency, Allocation Should be Done via Computer Algorithms**
Speaker: Katie Newhall, PhD, MS
- Transplant Physicians Must Remain the Gate Keeper for Final Allocation of Organs**

Speaker: David Axelrod, MD, MBA

Panel Discussion



10:00 AM – 10:30 AM Break

10:30 AM – 11:30 AM **Keynote**
Aaron Carroll, MD, MS

11:30 PM– 12:00 PM Break

12:00 PM – 1:15 PM Satellite Lunch Symposium
Kierland 2, 3

1:15 PM- 1:45 PM Break

1:45 PM – 3:15 PM **Session 4: OPOs of Tomorrow: Regulations, Best Practices, and Innovation**
Moderators: Alin Gragossian, DO, MPH and Jim Rodrigue, PhD

Patient Talk: From Loss to Legacy: Preserving Opportunity Through Organ Donation

Speaker: Kelly Duren

1. The OPO Regulatory Landscape: Where We Are, Where We Need to Be
Speaker: Alexandra Glazier, JD, MPH

2. Donor Care Centers: Facilitating the Practice and Science of Organ Donation

Speaker: Jennifer Prinz, RN, BSN, MPH-HPA

3. New Directions in OPO Infectious Diseases Testing and Donor Management

Speaker: Peter Chin-Hong, MD

4. Panel Interview: Collaboration for Life: Strengthening Partnerships in Organ Donation and Transplantation

Panelists:

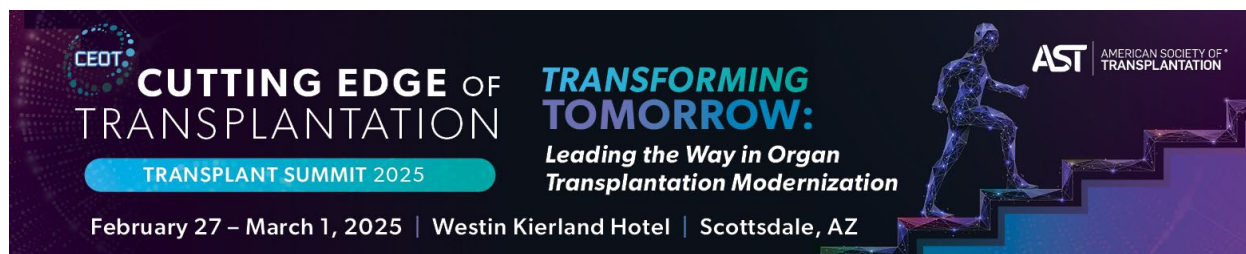
OPO Perspective: Alexandra Glazier, JD, MPH

Transplant Surgeon Perspective: Matt Cooper, MD

Research Perspective: Jesse Schold, PhD, M.Stat, M.Ed

Audience Q&A

3:15 PM – 3:45 PM Break



3:45 PM – 5:15 PM

Session 5: Future of Transplant Centers

Moderators: Vineeta Kumar, MD and Marina Serper, MD, MS

1. Workforce: Shaping the Future of Transplant Centers: Innovations in Workforce Dynamics

Speaker: Roy Bloom, MD

2. Finance: From Behind the Scenes to the Spotlight: Claiming Credit for your Work

Speaker: David Axelrod, MD, MBA

3. Care Coordination: Advancing the Transplant Center's Reach

Speaker: Ronald Potts, MD

4. Debate: Transplant Centers Should Prioritize Increasing Volumes and Access

Speaker: Jacqueline Garonzik Wang, MD, PhD

Transplant Centers Should Prioritize Excellent Patient and Graft Outcomes

Speaker: John Goss, MD, FACS

Panel Discussion

5:15 PM- 5:45 PM

Break

5:45 PM- 7:15 PM

Future of Transplant Think Tank: Advancing Therapeutic Innovation in Transplant: Transforming Obstacles into Opportunities

Saturday, March 1

7:00 AM – 8:15 AM

Breakfast Symposium
Kierland 1

8:15 AM – 8:30 AM

Break

8:30 AM – 10:00 AM

Session 6: Breakout

Session 6: Kidney Breakout: Exploring Strategies to Overcome Barriers in the Kidney Transplant Ecosystem to Get from Here to There

Moderators: Matt Cooper, MD and Vineeta Kumar, MD

Introduction: Referring Nephrologist

Speaker: Mandeep Sahani, MD

1. Provider Perspective: Growing Kidney Transplants and Managing Teams in the Current Era



Speaker: Harini Chakkera, MD, MPH

2. Program Perspective: Balancing Resources and Expectations

Speaker: Luke Preczewski

3. Policy Perspective: Translating Critical Need of Practice Limitations into Future Policy, Working Closely with CMS to Develop Guidelines and Standards

Speaker: Tom Duvall, MBA

Panel Discussion

Session 6: Heart Breakout: Futuristic Vision for Heart Transplantation

Moderators: Shelley Hall, MD, FACC, FHFSa, FAST and David Baran, MD

1. Tell Me Something I Don't Already Know!!

Speaker: Jon Kobashigawa, MD

2. Beyond the Liquid Biopsy: Non-Invasive Monitoring and Diagnosing Will be a Reality

Speaker: Palak Shah, MD

3. Squeezing Out All the Info Possible from that Piece of Myocardium

Speaker: Jana Lipkova, PhD

4. The AI Will See You Now

Speaker: Rohan Goswami, MD

Panel Discussion

Session 6: Lung Breakout: Stop Looking for a Needle in a Haystack: Improving Utilization of Lung Donors in 2025

Moderators: Stuart Sweet, MD, PhD and Debbie Levine, MD, FCCP, FAST

1. How to Maximize Utilization of Potential Lung Donors in 2025?

Speaker: Gary Marklin, MD

2. Powering the Transition from "Is this a Good Donor?" to "How to Match this Donor to my Recipient?"

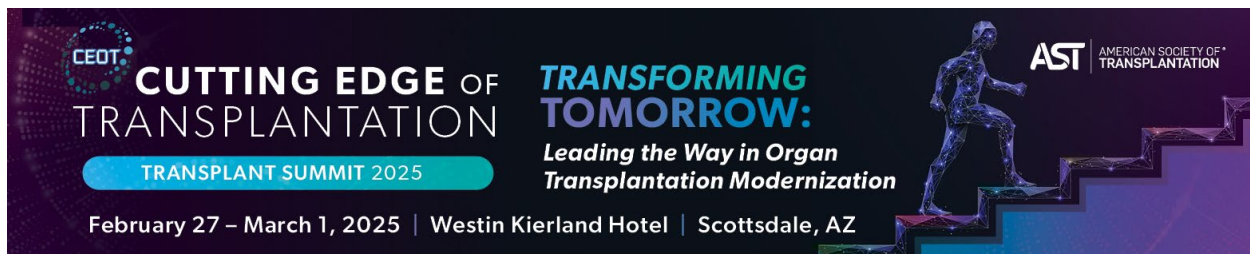
Speaker: Ramsey Hachem, MD

3. Integration of Data into the CAS Score to Ensure that the Right Donor is Matched with the Right Recipient: The OPTN Regulatory Perspective

Speaker: Maryam Valapour, MD, MPP

Panel Discussion

Session 6: Liver Breakout



Moderators: Marina Serper, MD, MS Lisa McElory

1. Xenotransplantation: A New Frontier

Speaker: Ali Zarrinpar, MD, PhD

2. Improving Access – The Role of Satellite Clinics, Telemedicine, and Care Coordination

Speaker: Betsy Verna, MD

3. Developing and Optimizing Continuous Distribution

Speaker: Christopher Sonnenday, MD, MHS

4. Panel: 1+1+3: The Power of Multidisciplinary Care

Speaker: Sarah Lieber, MD, Marina Serper, MD, MS, Hersh Shroff, MD, MPA

Panel Discussion

10:00 AM- 10:30 AM Break

10:30 AM- 12:00 PM **Session 7: Who Pays for All of This?**

Moderators: Matt Cooper, MD and Allyson Hart, MD, MS

1. Third Party Payor Perspective: Aligning Resource Allocation with Value Delivery

Speaker: Tom Duvall, MBA

2. Health System Perspective: Delivering Growth by Ensuring All the Components of the Health System Work Together Efficiently

Speaker: John Sampson, MD, PhD, MHSc, MBA

3. Transplant Center Perspective: Making Do More with Less a Reality

Speaker: Jennifer Milton, BSN, MBA

4. Prioritizing Equity in Modernization

Speaker: Neil Powe, MD, MPH, MBA

Panel Discussion

12:00 PM Summary of Meeting/Closing
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